

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2157 - SB 2167

March 12, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts any person age 65 and older from paying the \$115 application fee for obtaining a handgun carry permit and the \$50 fee for renewing a handgun carry permit.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenue –

\$884,500/Department of Safety

\$40,200/Tennessee Bureau of Investigation

Decrease Local Revenue - \$40,200

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Safety (DOS), there have been 8,032 handgun permits issued to individuals age 65 and older over the last three years (approximately 2,677 per year).
- According to DOS, there are 13,139 handgun permits that have been issued to individuals age 65 and older that are scheduled to renew in FY09-10.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1351(p)(1), the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) receives \$15 of each \$115 application fee for the sole purpose of updating and maintaining its fingerprint criminal history data base.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1351(p)(3), local sheriffs receive \$15 of each \$115 application fee for the purpose of verifying the truthfulness of the applicant's answers on applications.
- DOS retains the remaining \$85 of each application fee for the purpose of funding expenditures of the Handgun Permit Division.
- According to DOS, the Department retains 100 percent of renewal fees.
- The decrease of revenue to DOS is estimated to be \$884,500 per year $[(2,677 \times \$85) + (13,139 \times \$50) = \$884,495]$.

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- The decrease of revenue to TBI is estimated to be \$40,200 per year ($2,677 \times \$15 = \$40,155$).
- The decrease to local government revenue for sheriffs is estimated to be \$40,200 per year ($2,677 \times \$15 = \$40,155$).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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